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SUBJECT: CHINESE MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL COTTON
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. DURING STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING PRIOR OPENING
SESSION 33RD PLENARY DELEGATE OF PAKISTON NOTED IM-
PORTANCE PRC AS PRODUCER AND CONSUMER OF COTTON AND
EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT PRC NOT INVITED PARTICIPATE IN
PROCEEDINGS.
2. SESSION CHAIRMAN (UK) RESPONDED TO EFFECT PRC AS
UN MEMBER ENTITLED MEMBERSHIP IN ICAC AND THAT PRC IN-
TEREST IN COTTON SUCH THAT PRC WOULD BE VALUABLE ADDI-
TION TO ICAC. HE NOTED THAT PRC HAS NOT EXPRESSED AN
INTEREST IN ICAC MEMBERSHIP AND IN ABSENCE THEIR IN-
ITIATIVE, ICAC RULES MAKE NO PROVISION FOR PRC TO BECOME
MEMBER.
3. USSR DELEGATE THEN COMMENTED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT'S
POSITION THIS ISSUE REMAINED UNCHANGED. AS ISSUE NOT
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RAISED IN USUAL CONTEXT OF WHO IS PROPER REPRESENTATIVE

OF CHINA, REMARK RATHER OBSCURE BUT VERY MUCH A CONTINUATION OF TREND AT RECENT PLENARY MEETINGS FOR USSR STATEMENTS ON CHINESE MEMBERSHIP ISSUE TO BE EVEN SHORTER AND LESS DRAMATIC.

4. IN LETTER TO UNCTAD SECRETARIAT PRC PERMREP GENEVA DECLINE UNCTAD INVITATION PARTICIPATE IN UNCTAD SPONSORED AD HOC INTENSIVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATIONS ON COTTON TO BE HELD DURING COURSE OF PLENARY ON GROUNDS THAT ICAC HAS NOT EXPELLED ROC IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNGA RESOLUTION 2758.

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